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- 1. I am named as a co-inventor with Gregory Fish and Larry A. Coldren of the above-identified patent application.
- 2. A publication by Beck Mason, Greg A. Fish, Steven P. DenBaars and Larry Coldren, entitled "Widely Tunable Sampled Grating DBR Laser with Integrated Electroabsorption Modulator:", IEEE Photonics Technology Letters, IEEE Inc., New York, Vol. 11, No 6, June 1999, pages 638-640, was cited in an Information Disclosure Statement filed in connection with the above-identified patent application.
- 3. I am the "Beck Mason" listed as an author on the publication. My co-inventors Gregory Fish and Larry A. Coldren are also listed as authors on the publication.
- 4. The relevant portions of the publication that comprise a description of the subject matter claimed in the above-identified patent application originated with or were obtained from me and my co-inventors, as authors of the publication.
- 5. The other author of the publication, Steven P. DenBaars is not an inventor of the subject matter claimed in the patent application. Only Gregory Fish, Larry A. Coldren and I are the inventors of the subject matter claimed in the patent application, and thus are the only inventors named on the above-identified patent application.
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